



Seunghwa Ceremony for Raul Cezar

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After fighting with a brain malaria induced-coma for 10 days, our brother Raúl Cezar passed away on Thursday, September 26th, 2019 in Clinique La Madeleine, Dakar, Senegal; Following his parents' wishes, he was buried there, in a Ceremony attended by our FFWPU National Leader in Senegal, Mr. Abdou Gaye, and the Salesian Catholic Priest in charge; present were his 2 brothers, Carlos and Tomás, and several Senegalese Unificationist brothers & sisters.

Raúl was born in January 1965 in Madrid, but soon moved to Equatorial Guinea where he lived his early years. He joined the Church in Madrid during the 1983 summer, and was blessed in 1997 in an Interreligious Blessing. He leaves behind three children. He spent his early years in the Church doing CARP activity (pioneering work in Spain), and learning & teaching Won Wha Do. Still, his main professional and providential work was carried out for over 30 years in the field of Ecology, mainly Photovoltaic Energy. He established with his brothers a Company,

ENERSUN, providing Clean Energy Solutions, as well as tutoring and training students from all over environmentally friendly technologies.

In 2010, he founded with 3 other brothers an ONG called "S.O.S. Acción Energía", dedicated non-profit to carrying out solar-powered projects and promoting these technologies in poorer countries and/or areas of Spanish society (former inmates, etc.).

He was also an active member of several Spanish Ecologist Associations, always working hard to implement and/or defend Third Blessing Ideals into reality and, at the same time, connecting these activists friends to our community. In fact, they also expressed their deepest condolences through multiple messages in their Facebook and Twitter Official accounts, where many of his friends testified of his love and care.

Following True Parents' teaching and instructions to share technology with less fortunate people and countries, he worked side by side with Catholic Salesian Missionaries in Africa, and local African Civic Associations, and helped starting and keeping Photovoltaic Projects in several Western Africa

countries, Sierra Leona, Ghana, Benin, Mali and Senegal, in summer periods for several years, until last summer, where he caught brain malaria whilst working in a Senegalese Women's Association project in Kaolack.

His whole family was very close to our Church Community, and we all grieved together his departure, yet thanked Heavenly Parents for his altruistic life of devotion to Heaven's ideals. His family organized a memorial Mass at a known Church in Madrid, presided over by the very Salesian Missionary, Father Antonio Gutiérrez, with whom Raúl had spent the last weeks of his life in Sierra Leona, before going to Senegal where he met Rev. Abdou Gaye to discuss possible future Photovoltaic Projects at the local FFWPU Students center.

The Mass was attended by family and friends, as well as over 20 brothers & sisters. We could see a real testimony of Raúl's Unificationist spirit, bringing together in love and spiritual companionship even after his passing people from all beliefs and life conditions.

The Seunghwa ceremony took place in our Madrid HQ, Espacio Ronda, on

Sunday October 13th. The closest members of his family also participated. During the memorial ceremony, brothers and sisters, as well as his elder brother Pedro Javier (also blessed) could say goodbye and express their gratitude and love to him. Father Antonio Gutiérrez also attended the Service.

After a few words given by our MC Manuel Campillo, and a song together,

we heard some testimonies from brothers who worked with him; Armando Lozano read a beautiful poem he wrote in his memory, and finally his brother Pedro Javier expressed the family's thanks for all the support Raúl received from the Church, specially during his last hours, and read Raúl's last messages send to him from Senegal just a few days before catching malaria. It was all very emotional, yet spiritually high and

inspiring. Everybody had then the chance to offer a flower as we finally finished singing Blessing of Glory.

We deeply thank our True Parents who brought us together in the understanding of spiritual life, and that through this ceremony we could accompany him in the transit of his new life in the eternal world.

